

## COMMUNITY AND SENIOR SERVICES OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY

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## PRESS STATEMENT

On June 25, 2002, representatives of the Los Angeles County Department of Community and Senior Services and the Mid San Gabriel Valley Consortium met to discuss repayment of \$979,018 in funds identified in an audit of the Agency's fiscal year 2000-01 Workforce Investment Act service contracts as overpaid to the agency.

In order to avoid disruption in job training services in the area served by the agency, while at the same time ensuring repayment of overpaid funds in accordance with County practice, the Department has agreed to a revised repayment schedule as part of a corrective action plan. Under the revised schedule, the Consortium will repay \$309,509 representing the balance due of the first installment (it had previously paid the County \$180,000 of \$489,509 due June 15<sup>th</sup>) by July 15, 2002. In addition, the final repayment of \$489,509 will be repaid to the County by August 15, 2002, which was the original final installment date.

The corrective action plan provides for implementation of appropriate fiscal policies and procedures by the Consortium, coupled with continued County monitoring of Agency programs in an effort to avoid similar overpayments in the future and to ensure the Agency's compliance with contract requirements.

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